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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 28 (HESS) am
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 A BILL
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to training state employees, and
7 certain employees of the districts of the state
8 public school system on the recognition and reporting
9 of child abuse and neglect."
10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
11 * Section 1. AS 47.17 is amended by adding a new section to read:
12 Sec. 47.17.022. TRAINING. (a) A person employed by the state
13 who is required under AS 47.17 to report abuse or neglect of children
14 shall receive training on the recognition and reporting of child abuse
15 and neglect.
16 (b) Each department of the state that employs persons required
17 to report abuse or neglect of children shall provide
18 (1) initial training required by this section to each new
19 employee during the employee's first six months of employment, and to
20 any existing employee who has not received equivalent training; and
21 (2) appropriate in-service training required by this sec-
22 tion as determined by the department.
23 (c) Each department that must comply with (b) of this section
24 shall develop a training curriculum that acquaints its employees with
25 (1) laws relating to child abuse and neglect;
26 (2) techniques for recognition and detection of child abuse
27 and neglect;
28 (3) agencies and organizations within the state that offer
29 aid or shelter to victims and the families of victims of child abuse

1 or neglect; and

2 (4) procedures for required notification of suspected abuse
3 or neglect.

4 (d) Each department that must comply with (b) of this section
5 shall file a current copy of its training curriculum and materials,
6 with the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Any depart-
7 ment may seek the technical assistance of the council or the Depart-
8 ment of Health and Social Services in the development of its training
9 program.

10 (e) The districts of the state public school system shall devote
11 at least one-half day of existing in-service training time to train
12 school teachers and school administrative staff members on the recog-
13 nition and reporting of child abuse and neglect.